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OUR FILE NO.

CAMERON, WELDON, BREWING

September 26th, 1950.

Andrew Brewin, Esq., K.C., Sterling Tower, Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Andy:

Re: Case 508, Yukawa, Yoshiaki & Hatsue.

Japanese Property Claims Commission.

This case was initially heard at Lethbridge and was taken by Turcotte when the father of the deceased was heard as a witness. His evidence was mainly based on information given by Mrs. Hatsue Yukawa, his daughter-in-law who at that time was residing with her father, K.Uyeda, at 171 Vine St., St. Catherine, Ontario. Turcotte sent the file on to you and arrangements were made to have Mrs. Hatsue Yukawa give evidence which she did give in Toronto and this was one of the cases where you appeared. I believe it was in the Lethbridge evidence although I do not appear to have a transcript of the same that the deceased's father indicated that nothing had been done about taking out Letters of Administration or Probate for the estate of the deceased and that they did not wish to do so until they saw whether the award of the Commission would justify the expense.

By reference to your list you will observe that the award in this matter was \$1238.34. It would therefore appear to be necessary that Mrs. Hatsue Yukawa be advised to take the necessary steps to obtain Letters of Administration. It is just possible that we might persuade the Custodian to dispense with Letters of Administration and to take a release from Mrs. Hatsue Yukawa if she happens to be the sole beneficiary. However, the most clear-cut way to deal with it would be to take out Letters of Administration.

We believe this is one of the cases where the release form has not been forwarded to the Co-operative Committee in view of the fact that an estate was involved and no form will go forward until the matter is clarified as to an executor or administrator being in a position to grant the release.

We would appreciate receiving a reply in due course as to what steps are being taken in this matter.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER McMASTER & JOHNSON.

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Per:

September 29, 1950. Mr. Kazue Morie, P, O. Box 12, Steveston, B.C. Dear Sir: Your letter addressed to the Co-operative Committee of September 20th concerning inquiries in regard to your claim for fishing nets has been referred to Mr. R. J. McMaster, Barrister of Vancouver, who handled these claims, and has complete records. We assume that Mr. McMaster will be giving you whatever information he has available shortly. Yours very truly, CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCAELUM per: FAB: HC

September 29, 1950. Mr. R. J. McMaster, c/o Messrs. Campbell, Brazier, Fisher & McMaster, & Johnson, Barristers, 675 West Hastings Street. Vancouver, B.C. Re: Japanese Claims Commission Re: Kazue Mori Dear Bob: I am enclosing herewith a letter addressed to the Committee from the above-named claimant whose address you will see is P.O. Box 12, Steveston, B.C. Could you give Mr. Mori any assistance. ance? Yours very truly, FAB: HC Encl.

652 Nelson St. London, Bep 29, 1960 Ma, F. a. Brewin, Joronto, Ont. Dear Mr. Brewin I have necessed your letter of Sep. 28th and I thank I we were some for your kind ottention to the matter. The chattelo were in the more of Shizer, my wife, originally, Init I wood made to werner when the space was trend in donorts. I am perfectly appealing with the may my case was trandled I shall mail book the forms signed on soon or I receive yours truly, Jins Dy R

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September 29th,

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CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN &

Andrew Brewin Esq., K.C. Barrister and Solicitor, Sterling Tower Building, Toronto, Ont.

Dear Andy:

RE: Japanese Claims Commission and re Estates.

I have had several conferences with Mr. Shears concerning this matter and believe that we have drafted satisfactory forms to be executed in relation nto estate matters where administrators or executors have been appointed and he has on file Letters of Administration or Probate. However, he has now provided me with a list of cases where no Letters of Administration of Probate have been filed with him. With respect to one of these I think the Letters of Administration are in existence and I have written to the solicitors involved to ask him to file the same. I wrote to you the other day with respect to the other, being case No. 508.

There are, however, 5 estates which he has drawn to my attention where the award is under \$400.00. In his letter to me he requested that we have the claimants obtain Letters of Administration or Probate. However, I spoke to him on the telephone yesterday concerning this matter and suggested in view of the size of the award and the expense of taking out administration some other method of obtaining a release for him which would be satisfactory might be worked out. He seemed to be agreeable to this idea provided that some reasonable procedure could be worked out.

It appears to me that with regard

to estates where all of the persons who are at law entitled to benefit thereunder are adults there are two ways we might proceed. One would be to have all of the beneficiaries except one relinquish their claim to the estate in favour of that one and then have that one execute a release as sole beneficiary personally and on behalf of the estate. Alternatively, we could have a release drawn to be signed by each of the beneficiaries personally and on behalf of the Estate.

Where one or more of the beneficiaries are infant children we may run into more difficulty but I think I could persuade Shears in such a case to agree that where the person receiving the money would in the release acknowledge receipt of the share of such infant child as Trustee for the infant child (providing the amount was small), to accept this as a satisfactory release. I presume that it would be necessary for one or more of the beneficiaries to swear a proper affidavit proving the next of kin. He might also require an affidavit to the effect that there were no other assets in the estate and no debts. However, I wouldn't volunteer that to him in the first instance.

The cases involved are case No. 942 award \$242.36 (Cherniack), Case No. 1053, award \$72.50 (Best), case No. 1276, award \$152.50 (Best), Case No. 1044, award \$140.00 (Brewin) Case No. 1130, award \$393.84 (Best).

I would appreciate receiving your views with respect to this matter and also being advised as to whether you will take the necessary steps to ascertain the facts with regard to these cases and to draw the documents relinquishing interest in the estates and have them executed, etc.

Yours truly,

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P.M. He your letter of the 20th inst. I do not believe there has received any releases without authorizations. From an comment ations I feel quite entain he would not pay out one of our claims with out an authorization at come before consulting with me. B.

Messrs. Campbell, Brazier, Fisher, McMaster & Johnson, Barristers, 675 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Attention Mr. R. J. McMaster.

Re: Case 508, Yukawa, Yoshiaki & Hatsue, Japanese Property Claims Commission

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your letter of September 26th in this matter.

I am endeavouring to reach Mrs. Yukawa, and I will advise you as to what steps she proposes to take.

Yours sincerely,

FAB: HC

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Department of the Secretary of State, Office of the Custodian, 506 Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, B.C.

Attention Mr. F. G. Shears.

Dear Sirs:

Mr. Hirowatari of 1833 Gerrard Street East, has asked me to write to you and request that you should send to him the general Power of Attorney signed by his brother, and signed as part of the Commission evidence.

Mr. Hirowatari has received a cheque from you payable to himself for his brother, but he cannot deal with this in his bank except with the Power of Attorney.

If you require it to be returned to your files, we will arrange for this to be done.

Yours very truly,

CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM

per:

Fas

FAB: HC

Mrs. Hatsue Yukawa, c/o Mr. K. Uyeda, 171 Vine Street, St. Catharines, Ontario.

Dear Madam:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission Case No. 508, Yukawa, Yoshiaki and Hatsue.

You will recall giving evidence in this claim in Toronto.

At the time your husband's father gave evidence in Lethbridge, apparently he stated that no steps had been taken to take out Letters of Administration or Probate of your husband's estate, and that you did not propose to do so until you saw whether the award of the Commission would justify the expense.

It appears now that the award in this matter is \$1238.34.

It may, therefore, be necessary for you to apply to take out Letters of Administration of your husband's estate (if your husband left a will it would be Letters Probate for which you would have to apply).

However, it may be that if you are the sole beneficiary of your husband's estate as would appear probable, we might be in a position, if an affidavit to that effect was made by you, to persuade the Custodian to dispense with the necessity of your taking out Letters of Administration which would cause some expense.

We do not know if it would be convenient for you to come to Toronto to discuss this matter with the writer, or whether you would prefer to consult some lawyer in St. Catharines if you are still there.

Mrs. Hatsue Yukawa

October 2, 1950.

In either event, we would like to hear from you as to what steps you propose. The payment of the award will be held up until the question of administration of your husband's estate is settled, so that early action is advisable.

Yours very truly,

CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM

per:

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Department of the Secretary of State, Office of the Gustodian, 506 Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, B.C.

Attention Mr. F. G. Shears.

Re: Japanese Claims Commission and Case No. 1037 T. Sakamoto

Dear Sirs:

Mr. Sakamoto has been informed of an award in this matter in the amount of \$612.50, and he has consulted us in regard to the completion of the release.

He has referred us to correspondence between the Custodian and himself, and particularly letter of the Custodian in file No. 11110 dated October 3, 1946 in which in the third paragraph it would appear that there is being held in his account proceeds of the sale of chattels at B. C. rooms 500-5 East Cordova, "pending clarification of ownership." Apparently it has still not been possible to give details as to the ownership of these chattels. Mr. Sakamoto says that if the money is paid to him he will make a distribution in accordance with rough justice. However, he did not wish to sign the general release in respect to his own claim without excepting this sum held in your account.

He has, therefore, executed the release as drawn by your office with the following notation on it, "except as set out in a letter to Custodian dated Oct. 2, 1950." We will attach a copy of this letter to you, to the release form, and no doubt there will be no need to hold back the payment of Mr. Sakamoto's claim, and possibly some arrangement may be made in regard to the \$177.35 which is still in the account.

Yours very truly, CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM

FAB: HG

per:

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October 3, 1950. Department of the Secretary of State, Office of the Custodian, 506 Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, B.C. Attention Mr. F. G. Shears. Dear Sirs: Re: Case No. 974 Arikichi Iwanoto Mrs. Yuri Iwamoto and her son have come into our office and explained the circumstances in connection with this claim. Apparently ir. Iwamoto was paralyzed some time before his death and had no assets whatsoever. I feel sure in these circumstances that you would not regard it as necessary to apply for Letters of Administration. Yours very truly, FAB: HC

GAMERON WELDON, BREWIN & MCGALLUM,

October 2nd, 1950.

Mr. Kazue Mori, P. O. Box 12, Steveston, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Claims Commission, Case 256

The Co-operative Committee at Toronto, through its counsel, Mr. Brewin, has forwarded to me your letter of September 20th concerning your claim.

Upon referring to your file we observe that your total award of \$1665.34 is made up as follows:

On the real property situate in the Municipality of Mission sold to VLA:

\$1049.92

85.92

On nets and gear: And on other chattels:

You will observe from this breakdown of your award that an award was made with respect to the nets and gear and I think this will answer your question.

If you desire any further information, kindly communicate with the writer.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER MCMASTER &

JOHNSON.

McM: McC cc.Mr. Brewin Per:

G E A RICE,K.C. T.O. IVES, B.A.LL.B.

G.C.PATERSON, K.C.

CABLE ADDRESS

CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE BUILDING

LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA,

October 2, 1950.

The Co-operative Committ on Japanese Canadians, 94 Homewood Avenue, Apt. 28, TORONTO, Ontario.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Yosokichi Kitagawa Case No. 489 Registration No. 13104

Mr. Kitagawa has brought to the writer your letter to him of August 31st enclosing Authority to pay fees and Release form.

At Mr. Kitagawa's request we are enclosing herewith the completed Authority dated September 30th, 1950 and covering an account of \$262.25.

Mr. Kitagawa has executed the Release under date of September 30th, and we are holding on our file the completed Release form. Mr. Kitagawa has in the past had some difficulty with the Custodian's office, and you will understand his reluctance to forward the completed Release until the cheque has been directed to him.

In order to assist, however, we have been instructed to advise that we are holding the completed Release on our file, and we hereby undertake with your office or with the Custodian's office of Enemy Property at 506 Royal Bank Building, Hastings and Granville, Vancouver, B. C. to forward the completed Release to either your office or to the Custodian's office upon receipt by us of the Custodian's cheque in favour of Yosokichi Kitagawa in the amount of \$1,300.26 being the net amount due him by the Custodian.

we trust that this arrangement will be found to be satisfactory, and as soon as the cheque is received, we will forward the completed Release to which ever office you request us to forward it to.

Yours truly,

RICE PATERSON CULLEN & IVES

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Department of the Recretary of State, Office of the Custodian, 506 Royal Bank Bullding, Vancouver, B.C.

Attention Mr. F. G. Shears.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Gase No. 974 Arikichi Iwamoto

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Apparently Mr. wanoto was paralyzed some time before his death and had no assets whatsoever.

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Yours very truly,

FAB: HC

Pominion of Canada PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

COUNTY

OF

YORK

In the Matter of the claim of Arikichi

AND IN THE MATTER OF the Japanese Claims Commission.

TO WIT:

YURI IWAMOTO

of the City

Toronto of

in the County of York.

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT

- I am the widow of Arikichi Iwamoto, and formerly resided 1 . at 312 Simpson Street, Fort William, Ontario.
- My late husband died on the 16th day of May, 1946. 2.
- He left no will and no property inasmuch as he was paralyzed 3. before his death.
- I have not taken out Letters of Administration of his Estate, as he had no estate other than the claim which he had made under the Japanese Claims Commission in respect to chattels.
- I am the sole person entitled to his estate and am advised 5. that I am entitled in law to receive the award made by the Commissioner herein, namely \$39.24, less the amount of \$2.41 due to the Co-operative Committee.
- I am at present residing at 674 Euclid Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, having moved here recently.

that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of "The Canada Evidence Act."

DECLARED before me at the City

of Toronto

in the County

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York of

this

day of October

A.D. 190.

A Commissioner, etc.

"Yuri Iwamoto"

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IN THE MATTER OF

THE CLAIM OF ARKICHI IWAMOTO

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE JAPANESE CLAIMS COMMISSION.

Statutory Declaration

of

YURI IWAMOTO

Dye & Durham, 9-11 Yonge-Street Arcade, Toronto, Can.
Law and Commercial Stationers

CAMERON, WELDON, BREW IN & McCALLUM

CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

Japanese Evacuation Section

October 4, 1950.

Messrs.Cameron, Weldon, Brewin & McCallum, Barristers & Solicitors, Sterling Tower, Toronto 1, Ontario.

Attention Mr. F. A. Brewin, K.C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission Case 69

I have your letter of October 2nd in which you ask for the return of the general Power of Attorney signed by Toshikuni HIROWATARI.

I regret that the original exhibits which were filed at the Commission hearings were forwarded by Commissioner the Honourable Mr. Justice Henry Bird to the Department of Justice at Ottawa, together with other voluminous correspondence and documents.

Copies of all exhibits however, were made, and I enclose a copy of this particular Power of Attorney, certified by M. Scoby who was an employee of this office at that time.

I am wondering whether the copy, in conjunction with this letter, may serve the purpose in connection with cashing the cheque for the sum of \$1,292.73 recently issued in the joint names of Hideaki and Toshikuni HIROWATARI. If not, and you will so advise, I will endeavour to have the original Power of Attorney located at Ottawa and forwarded to you.

There is no need for the enclosed copy to be returned.

Yours truly,

"F. G. Shears"

F. G. Shears, Director

FGS/GN Encl.

October 4, 1950. Mr. S. Kishino, 17 Melbourne Avenue, Westmount. Montreal 6, Quebec. Dear Mr. Kishino: Your letter of September 27th addressed to the Co-operative Committee has been referred to me for attention. The figures upon which the charges of the Co-operative Committee have been based were the original claims made at the time that the written retainers were signed, and it would appear that your original claim was for 13925.00. However, it would appear than an error was made, and the charge to you should therefore be reduced by the difference between \$39.25 charged, and \$29.08 which should have been charged, namely, by \$10.17. I understand that the original charge to you was \$62.99. Deducting, therefore, the overcharge of \$10.17, the total revised charge is \$52.82, on which you have paid \$29.08. The balance payable to the Co-operative Committee, would, therefore, be \$23.74 and not \$33.91. Would you therefore in completing the forms, change the figure in the authority, and have the change initialled by yourself. Yours very truly, MBren FAB: HC

Miss Katsuyori Murakami, c/o Du-Eet Cafe, Cardston, Alberta.

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Re: Case No. 625

Dear Madam:

Your letter addressed to the Co-operative Committee on Japanese Canadians and dated September 26th, has been handed to me to answer.

I regret that the award made to you, namely, \$1087.41 does not seem to you a fair amount.

However, I doubt very much whether anything can be done about it. The Commissioner has made his recommendations and completed his work, and the Government will not as a general rule undertake to pay anything more than the amount recommended.

The awards made by the Commissioner were based on a mass of evidence in respect to values, although some cases which had special features, received special consideration.

All the records of the available evidence are in the hands of Mr. R. J. McMaster, of Messrs. Campbell, Brazier, Fisher, McMaster & Johnson, 675 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C., and it might be that he could give you further details in regard to how the award was arrived at and whether he thinks there is any possibility of reconsideration of your case. However, we should make it clear to you that as far as we know the chance of having any change made is practically non-existent.

We are sorry that this should be the situation, and no doubt some claimants have received specially harsh treatment. The decision, however, is made by the Commissioner on the available evidence and we do not think it likely that any change will be made.

Miss Katsuyori Murakami

October 4, 1950.

However, you may if you see fit, write to Mr. McMaster and he will look into the matter further for you.

Yours very truly,
CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM
per:

FAB:HC

Japanese Canadian Citizens Association, British Columbia Chapter, Greenwood, B. C.

Attention Miss S. Takemoto.

Dear Miss Takemoto:

Miss Boos has asked me to answer your letter of September 26th inquiring in respect to Mrs. Sakai whose husband passed away in 1949.

I note from your letter that Mrs. Sakai has a written will in Japanese, leaving everything to her. I also note from our records that the award in this case amounted to \$510.00.

In some cases where a claimant has died, the Custodian will insist upon Letters of Administration or Letters Probate of the estate of the deceased being taken out before paying money over to the persons in the will or the next of kin. However, in some cases where the amount awarded is not large, and where there is no other estate necessitating this expense, the Custodian will, I believe, pay over the money upon satisfactory proof as to who is entitled to the estate of the deceased. I would suggest, therefore, that you inquire from Mrs. Sakai whether or not there is any other estate of the deceased which would make it necessary for her to apply for Letters Probate of the will. If this was not necessary, and Letters Probate have not been taken out, Mr. R. J. McMaster of Messrs. Campbell, Brazier, Fisher, McMaster & Johnson, 675 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. may be able to arrange with the Custodian to make the payment direct to Mrs. Sakai without the additional expense incurred in applying for Letters Probate. No doubt the Custodian would in this case require an affidavit from Mrs. Sakai explaining that she is the widow, and attach a true copy of the will and a translation thereof.

I assume that the will is duly witnessed in accordance with the formalities required in the Province of British Columbia. In any event the law of succession in British Columbia would probably entitle Mrs. Sakai to the monies. I

Japanese Canadian Citizens Association

October 4,1950.

think the best course to adopt would be to write to Mr. McMaster setting out all of the facts in regard to the estate, and he will discuss the matter with the Custodian and draw the necessary affidavit. If Letters Probate have not been taken out and it is necessary that application be made, no doubt this will have to be done through some lawyer in or near Greenwood. If Letters Probate have in fact been obtained, a certified copy of the same should be attached to the release, and the release could be signed by Mrs. Sakai as executor of the will, and then the money would be paid to her.

In regard to the cases where releases have not been received as yet by the claimants, the reason for this is that in certain cases the Committee agreed to reduce the fee charged and in these cases releases were not sent out promptly with the others. They will, however be received soon.

Yours very truly,

FAB: HC

October 4, 1950. Mr. George Takahashi, 18 Hunter Street, Toronto, Ontario. Re: Case No. 319 Dear Mr. Takahashi: Your letter of September 28th to the Cooperative Committee on Japanese Canadians has been referred to me. I note that your mother is not expected back in Canada until November of 1950. If your mother in fact returns to Toronto in November 1950, I am sure there will be no difficulty about obtaining payment of her award. I would suggest that as soon as she returns, you have her get in touch with me and have her bring the release and other forms to my office. If her return is likely to be delayed for any lengthy period, please advise me. Yours very truly, Jus FAB: HC

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as yet not recorded any notice I any kind.

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I haven't heard amphing. my the states and a djain my father form at 150 8 th are in Hang Bl. M. Hamasaki), he has received his claim and his very satisfied with the results.

Will you please bring me up to date on our mounty.

Jam your, thanking you-Prince Takanki Hami

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Slocan City. B.C. September 30, 1950

The Co-operative Committee on Japanese Canadians 94 Homewood Ave.
Toronto. Ont.

Dear Sirs:

Case 365 -07187

I have received forms regarding my claim against the Commission. My original caim was for \$6,000.00 and I certainly do not feel inclined to settle for \$180.35, less, of course your charges. Surely the Commission have made a mistale as my house and furniture in Vancouver was, at the very lowest estimate, worth the \$6,000.00 I claimed.

Will you look further into the matter and see if this mistake can be rectified.

Yours truly,

Juntaro Taniquehi.



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VANCOUVER, B.C.

OUR FILE No.

October 7, 1950.

Miss Margaret Boos, Co-op. Committee on Japanese Canadians, 94 Homewood Ave., Apt. 28, Toronto, 5, Ont.

Dear Margaret-

Re: -Japanesed Claims Commission.

Thank you for your letterrof the 3rd inst. Please excuse any implied slur in my last letter that you folk were holding things up down there. I fully appreciate the difficulties under which you are working. Certainly the forms have now been coming forward at a good rate.

I was interested to see the minutes and to note the action which you have taken with respect to the difficult Toronto group.

You will recall that some of the release forms were not sent to you by reason of Estates being involved. We have now received from the Custodian release forms with respect to a few of these with special clauses. We have consulted with the Custodian with respect to these and other cases and I hope that soon all forms relating to Estates will go forward to you. Special attention will require to be given to each one in the instructions forwarded to the claimant having regard to the particular circumstances.

Re: Case 521 - You will note that someone other than the claimant has been appointed Executor. We would suggest that the release form and authority to pay should be forwarded to the person who made the claim with instructions to have both documents executed by the Executor. It might be well to have the letter of instructions written in Japanese, however, we do not think it is necessary to have the Release translated, as in individual cases like this they should be able to get an interpreter if needed.

Re: Case 216 - You will observe that in this case two Estates are involved. The custodian is prepared the pay the mothers share of the son's estate direct to her, but the rest will have to be paid to the Administrator of the father's estate. Accordingly they will both have to sign releases. They can either both sign one form and have both signatures witnessed

or if this is not convenient they can execute separate forms of release. With regard to the letter of instructions as to payment of fees they had better make it clear from which payment they want this deducted as I imagine otherwise the Custodian will split it proportionately. As the mother probably payed paid the initial fee it would seem proper that the Administrator should pay this one. However the authorization form should be amended in a manner to make this clear.

Please excuse the typing. It is my own best effort on a new electric machine.

Yours truly

CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER McMASTER & JOHNSON

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VANCOUVER, B.C.

October 7, 1950.

Miss Margaret Boos, Co-op. Committee on Japanese Canadians, 95 Homewood Ave., Apt. 28, Toronto Ont.

Dear Margaret: -

Re Japanese Claims Commission Case No. 16.

I sealed the envelope on my other letter a little too quickly and after so doing discovered the special release forms with respect to this case had been placed on my desk in my absence this morning.

In this case Messrs. Cornwall, Kennedy & Colthurst of Kamloops B. C. have acted with respect to the Estate. They recently forwarded to the Custodian a copy of the Letters of Administration appointing Mrs. Sue Nabata of Magna Bay, B. C. as administrator and advised that if the forms were forwarded to them they would have her execute both the release and authorization to pay fees. We would suggest in this case that you send the forms direct to the Solicitors and a letter to Mrs. Nabata advising her that you have done so.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER McMASTER & JOHNSON

Per Bob Vn

RJM/M Encl.

CO-OPERATIVE COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE CANADIANS.

FEE....\$2000.00

CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM

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Messrs. Rice, Paterson, Cullen & Ives, Barristers, Solicitors, Canadian Bank of Commerce Building, Lethbridge, Alberta.

> Re: Yosokichi Kitagawa Case No. 489 Resistration No. 13104

Dear Sirs:

We have your letter of October 2nd enclosing an authority signed by your client Mr. Kitagawa.

We have sent the authority on to the Custodian and acquainted him with the position taken by Mr. Kitagawa, and the undertaking that you will hold the completed release pending the receipt of a cheque in favour of Mr. Kitagawa in the amount of \$1,300.26. We hope the Custodian will see fit to send you the cheque so that this matter may be completed.

In case there is any difficulty about this, I might say that we have perhaps in too complacent a spirit, agreed that in the case of other claimants we will send the releases to the Custodian before receiving the cheques, on the understanding that the Custodian will forthwith upon receipt of the release duly executed, transmit cheques in the amount set out.

It may be that if the Custodian is sticky about this matter you could persuade your client that there is very little practical risk involved in adopting this course.

Yours very truly,

CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM

per:

FAB: HC

October 11, 1950. Mr. R. J. McMaster, c/o Messrs.Campbell, Brazier, Fisher, McMaster & Johnson, Barristers, 675 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. Re: Japanese Claims Case No. 1089 Togo Cleaners Limited Dear Bob: The Co-operative Committee do not appear to have received any release in this case, and Mr. Takahashi who is the main shareholder in the Company has inquired as to why this release has not been received yet. I have told him that possibly it is due to the fact that this was a corporation, and that a different form of release was being prepared in such case. Could you get in touch with the Custodian and advise me as to why the release has not been received, with a view to having payment of the amount due expedited. Yours sincerely, FAB: HC

October 11, 1950. Prince Takaaki Yamasaki, 247 Albany Avenue, Toronto, Ontario. Dear Sir: Re: Japanese Property Claims I have your letter of September 30th inquiring about your claim in this matter. According to the records, this case was abandoned. We have not got the file here in Toronto, and I have no way of knowing why it was abandoned. However, I will cause inquiries to be made. Yours very truly, FAB: HC

October 11, 1950. Mr. R. J. McMaster, c/o Messrs.Campbell, Brazier, Fisher, McMaster & Johnson, Barristers. 675 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. Re: Case No. 1329 Takaaki Yamasaki et al Dear Bob: According to the recommendations for payment, this case was abandoned, and our records here merely show the word "cancelled" written across the claim. However, I have a letter from Mr. Yamaskai stating, "I paid the initial fee, and from then on I haven't heard anything." I wonder if you would have any record of this case and see if there is any explanation given at the hearing as to why or on whose instructions the case was abandoned. Yours sincerely, FAB: HC

October 11, 1950. Custodian of Enemy Property, 506 Royal Bank Building. Vancouver, B.C. Case No. 489 Yosokichi Kitagawa Dear Sir : In this case we have received from Messrs. Rice, Paterson, Cullen & Ives, Barristers of Lethbridge Alberta, a letter addressed to the Go-operative Committee on Japanese Canadians, enclosing the authority to pay fees to the Co-operative Committee, signed by Mr. Kitagawa. They also write and say, "we are holding the completed release on our file, and we hereby undertake with your office or with the Custodian's office of Enemy Property at 506 Royal Bank Building Hastings and Granville, Vancouver, B.C. to forward the completed release to either your office or to the Custodian's office upon receipt by us of the Custodian's cheque in favour of Yosokichi Kitagawa in the amount of \$1,300.26 being the net amount due him by the Gustodian." We presume that the reason for suggesting this procedure, is that Mr. Kitagawa does not wish to send out the release until the cheque is received. While such caution seems to us to be unnecessary as is obvious from the advice we have given our clients in this matter, nevertheless we thought it would be quite satisfactory to the Custodian in this case to send the cheque to Messrs. Rice, Paterson, Cullen & Ives upon the basis of the undertaking contained in their letter. Will you please advise us as to what course you propose to take in this matter. Yours very truly, CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM In Brus per: FAB: HC P.S .-- We are enclosing herewith the authority. F.A.B.

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October 11, 1950.

Mr. H. Hirowatari, 1883 Gerrard Street East, Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Hirowatari:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission Case 69.

We are enclosing herewith certified copy of the Power of Attorney signed by Toshikuni Hirowatari which we have received from the Custodian's Office.

We hope that this will enable you to cash the cheque. If not, please notify us and we will advise the Custodian who will try to have the original Power of Attorney located at Ottawa.

Yours very truly,

CAME RON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM

per: 3. a. Brewer per 146

FAB: HC Encl.

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October 9, 1950.

CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McGALLUM.

Messrs. Cameron, Weldon, Brewin & McCallum, Barristers & Solicitors, Sterling Tower, Toronto, 1, Ont.

Dear Sirs:

Attention, Mr. F. A. Brewin, K.C.

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Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission.

Case 1037 - T. Sakamoto & Chattels

from 500-4-8 Cordova St.

With reference to your letter of October 2nd. The situation in regard to chattels which were removed from the above locations is that all of the following may have left some chattels there, but we have no means of accurate identification.

Seizen HIGA	File	11821
Chikayoshi YAMADA	39	14151
Keizo SUGINOBU	11	11901
Yoichi TOKUDA	11	11018
Shoichi NISHIMURA	11	3676
Yosaku HARIUCHI	No fi	lle
Kametaro AKIYAMA	File	11147
Tadayoshi SAKAMOTO	11	11110
Michi ONOTERA	File	15240

None of these persons filed any claim before the Commission in respect of chattels. Mr. Sakamoto suggests that the proceeds might be paid to him for distribution in accordance with rough justice. However, in order to do this, he would of necessity have to contact each one. We therefore suggest that a letter be signed by all of these persons and the letter should authorize us to pay a specific amount to each of them, totalling the sum of \$177.35, or give person authority to pay the said sum to one person.

Yours very truly,

F. G. Shears, Director.

October 12, 1950. Mr. Shogoro Shimano, 158 Mary Street, Hamilton, Ontario. Re: Case 1134 Dear Mr. Shimano: Your brother has brought in your letter and the form of release and authority. Unfortunately it will be necessary for you to sign the release opposite the second red seal, and to have a witness to your signature who will complete the affidavit attached to the form. It will be necessary for you to sign the authority to pay fees to the Co-operative Committee underneath the signature of your brother. Your brother has now completed these forms which we enclose, and it will be necessary for you to attend on a lawyer or Justice of the Peace to sign the document and to have the witness complete the affidavit. Will you then send on the forms in the envelope which we enclose. As soon as this is done the completed release will be sent out to the Custodian and we expect that cheques will be issued shortly. We suggest also that you sign the enclosed direction. Yours very truly, CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM per: LaBrewn FAB: HC Encl.

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OUR FILE NO.

October 13, 1950.

Andrew Brewin, Esq., K.C.,
Barrister, etc.,
Sterling Tower,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Andy:

Re: Japanese Claims Commission Case No. 1329, Takaaki Yamasaki et al.

In this case we do not have any file and it is our recollection that no files were sent to us concerning this and a number of other cases which were abandoned. We might say that the case appeared at the end of the Sub-Commission hearings and along with a number of other cases commencing with number 1319 were abandoned or withdrawn.

We checked the file which the Custodian has on this case and notice in the transcript a statement by yourself to the Sub-Commissioner under date of December 2nd, 1948 as follows:

"MR. BREWIN: We acknowledge this claim should be marked abandoned your honour."

We might say that this claimant's brother made a claim, No. 1034 with respect to two adjacent lots situate in the municipality of Haney, Lots 10 and 11, which were also adjacent to Lot 12 with respect to which this claimant was making a claim. This claimant had, according to the Custodian's file, a 6/10 interest in Lot 12. The brother, case 1034, however, indicated in the transcript of his case that he was not making any claim for his 1/10 interest in Lot 12 although in his original claim he had made a claim for Lot 12.

The address shown for the claimant on the claim form was 247 Albany Ave., Toronto.

October 13, 1950. Mr. Brewin: - 2 -Unfortunately we are unable to find any material which indicates the reason for your statement to the Sub-Commissioner. We can only assume that the claimant had failed or neglected to appear when notified. Yours truly, CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER McMASTER & JOHNSON Per: Bob McM: McC

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October 13, 1950.

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Andrew Brewin, Esq., K.C. Barrister, etc., Sterling Tower, TORONTO, Ontario.

Dear Andy:

Re: Japanese Claims Commission Togo Cleaners.

We have for acknowledgment receipt of your letter of the 11th inst., with respect to this matter.

Your assumption is correct that the reason why the release herein has been held up is because of the fact that the claim was made on behalf of a corporation liquidated by the Custodian. We have previously discussed the nature of releases to be obtained in relation to corporate claims with the Custodian but have not heretofore come to any agreement. However, we had a session with the Custodian yesterday concerning this particular claim and he has suggested that we draft a form of release for his consideration and I think that in view of the fact that this was a family held corporation, we will not have too much difficulty in agreeing upon a form of release at an early date. As soon as it is agreed upon we will see that the releases are forwarded to the Committee.

We might report generally that in the main the releases that have been sent in and also the authorities have been in satisfactory form. There have been some cases where the documents have not been properly executed. In these cases the Custodian has been good enough to provide me with new documents and advise me as to his objection to the existing documents. Rather than

Mr. Brewin:

October 13, 1950.

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go through the Committee causing further delay, the writer has in such cases forwarded the documents directly to the claimant asking him to execute them properly and return them to us. Upon receipt by us of the properly executed documents we have filed them with the Custodian and understand that payments are made forthwith thereupon.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER McMASTER & JOHNSON

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October 13, 1950.

Messrs. Cameron, Weldon, Brewin & McCallum, Barristers & Solicitors, Sterling Tower, Toronto 1, Ont.

Dear Sirs:

Attention, Mr. F. A. Brewin, K.C.

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission - Case 489

We are in receipt of your letter of October 11th advising that Messrs. Rice, Paterson, Cullen & Ives, Barristers of Lethbridge, Alberta, are holding a completed Release signed by the above, undertaking to forward same when a cheque for \$1326.00 in favour of Yosokichi Kitagawa is received.

The question of Messrs. Rice, Paterson, Cullen & Ives' bona fides is not in any way doubted, and we agree that in certain circumstances adoption of this method of payment would be satisfactory and not unusual. However, we are not dealing with Mr. Kitagawa as an individual case, but with over 1300 claimants, and having adopted a method for payment of awards, it is not our intention to vary same. Over 500 claimants have already been forwarded cheques after the receipt of properly executed Releases.

Reference to the transcript of evidence in connection with this case, held at Lethbridge on March 31, 1948, indicates that Commissioner, the Honourable Mr. Justice Henry Bird, stated that if any favourable recommendations should be made, there might be some question of adjustment between him (Yosokichi Kitagawa) and his brother. In addition to our Release form, we will therefore require a letter from the brother stating that any interest he may have in that part of the award which concerns the property formerly in the name of his deceased father, can be paid to Yosokichi who presented the claim before the Commissioner.

I suspect that the reason Mr. Kitagawa is suggesting that the Release should be held until the cheque is in the hands of the above solicitors, is because he is conscious of the fact that during the administration of his affairs, a number of letters were written to him in regard to various debts, which he did not choose to answer.

However, in so far as the money available for payment of awards is concerned, we are treating these funds as ex gratia payments, and upon receipt of our Release form and the letter from the brother referred to above, the amount of the award will be remitted.

A duplicate of this letter is enclosed in case you should wish to forward a copy to Messrs. Rice, Paterson, Cullen & Ives.

The Authorization to Pay Legal Fees has been received, and will be dealt with when the full Release is to hand.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears, Director.

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October 16, 1950.

Mr. A. I. Adachi, R. R. #6, Brampton, Ontario.

Re: Japanese Claims Commission

Dear Sir:

You have consulted us in regard to the signing of the release form prepared by the Custodian.

You informed me that at the time of evacuation you were forced to sell cattle and other goods at a sacrificed price, and in signing the release you do not wish to give up any claim that you might have in the future in respect to these forced sales.

It is my opinion that the effect of the release is to release the Custodian from any claim that exists up to the present time. While I agree that the Government may be under a moral obligation to recompense Japanese Canadians in respect to losses sustained through forced sales, the Government have clearly indicated at the present time that they have not allowed for any compensation in such cases, and do not propose to do so.

Should the Government change their mind in the future and set up some further commission in connection with such cases, which I do not think they will, I do not believe that your execution of the release would prevent you from presenting a claim.

The reason for this view is obvious, namely, that the release you are signing at the present time only affects legal claims which you have at the present time, and there is no present claim which you can make.

Frankly, I do not anticipate any change in the attitude of the Government, but if the Government do change their mind, they would create new rights which I think you would be entitled to present, notwithstanding your signature of the release.

Yours very truly, CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM per:

FAB: HC

Mr. Takaaki Yamasaki,
247 Albany Avenue,
Toronto, Ontario.

Re: Japanese Claims Commission
Case No. 1329.

Dear Mr. Yamasaki:

It would appear that your case was marked "abandoned" when it came on for hearing, on the ground that you did not answer the letters sent out informing you of the date of hearing in this matter.

We would be glad to discuss further with you if there is any possibility of it being dealt with at the present time. It would be necessary for some explanation to be given as to why you did not receive the notice of the hearing, or failed to turn up at the hearing.

Yours very truly,
CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM
per:

FAB: HC

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October 16, 1950. Messrs. Rice, Paterson, Cullen & Ives, Barristers, Solicitors, Canadian Bank of Commerce Building,

> Re: Yosokichi Kitagawa Case No. 489 Registration No. 13104

Dear Sirs:

Lethbridge, Alberta.

We transmitted to the Custodian the substance of your letter stating that you were undertaking to hold the release.

We now enclose a copy of the letter sent to us by the Custodian referring to this matter.

We have had no difficulty in respect to the issue of cheques once the releases have been received by the Custodian, and we would suggest that your client might be well advised to send on the release and a letter from the brother as requested in the Custodian's letter.

> Yours very truly, CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM

per:

FAB: HC Encl.

October 17, 1950.

Mr. R. J. McMaster, c/o Messrs. Campbell, Brazier, Fisher, McMaster & Johnson, Barristers, 675 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Bob:

We have been consulted by Mr. Keishiro Shimano, 61 Superior Avenue, Mimico, Ontario, the son of Mr. Kyutaro Shimano who was formerly at Fort William, Ontario.

Mr. Shimano was the owner of a vessel "K.S."
N.W.O. 30H, License Number N.W. 3328. This boat was sold
by the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee under an
agreement for sale, to Nelson Bros. Fisheries Limited in July
of 1942. The boat was damaged.

I am not certain whether Mr. Shimano made any claim to the Commissioner.

Mr. Shimano has asked me to write and have you inquire whether any allowance was made to him outside the terms of reference, or whether there is any possibility of his case being reviewed now.

Yours sincerely,

FAB: HC

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October 19, 1950.

Mr. Toemon Kanazuka, 274 John Street North, Hamilton, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Kanazuka:

We acknowledge your letter of October 12th.

The Committee did not have your address and that is why you did not receive the forms.

I have given your address to the J.C.C.A. and they will be sending you the form to-day for completion.

It may be of some interest to you to know that the total amount of your award was \$571.56.

Yours very truly CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM per:

FAB: HC

274 John St. M. Hamilton, Ont. October 18, 1950.

F. a. Brewen, 372 Bay St., Toconto, Ont. REGEIVED UCI 19 1950

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Dear Lir In regarding to the Property Loss Claim, heard many claimants across Panada have received award payment from testedion, but we have not yet, so I wish to inquire Colas das dappened, since you were my lawyer representing the Ed-operative Committee. Enclosed herewith please fine stamped envelope. Will you kindly send me the reply Ot your larliest convenience:

> Yours truly / Joenon Kanazuka

1188 planis Kd. R. R. # 14 VLA: 652.66 3688 652.66 # 272 New Westminster 13.C. Mear Madam, I like to thank you very much for helping us in the Japanese Commission. Because you have helped use we can now get some of the money and like to give you my gratitude. They have sent me the Realesse papers and know how much of get now. I like to know the price of property & building separately. I went to ask Mr. McMate but he said he doesn't know the price separately. Hill you please let me know the price separately. Thank-you. A was living close to Ling George heway on Townline road. 13 wilding 32 ×36 Auco yr. 1991 22 ×84 chieten pouse yp. 1939 2 floor 22×92 shicker house yr. 1940 cement post 18 x 68 root house top chiken house 24x46, old house

price of the house and property separately. In court at Melson the buildings were \$000. The price is so different (the) now that will you please insuestigate yours Iruly, Ox. Moriora

Oct. 17 950 Camere Wilden Bruin Milallum 241 albam loz. Toronto 4. Out Dear Mr. Buun :- CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & I have received your letter of 16 th into ; and would like very huch if you I could take it up for me to still make our claim.

I did not receive a notice, but thought That the Custodie was not calling me because some of my fother buildings envinch on the fuil acres that we own. My Jaken Nobour Samusaki has received this Just claim alfored by the Eustodian, one claiming money on the Juic acres I land only which is registered in my three brothers and myself, names. I think you have all the particular somerning our cale. Hoping that there is still a chance, and thanking you much, 9 am, Re Japanese Clain Amminus Hours usery truly, Case No. 1329 Blamaraki.

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Co-Operative Committee on Japanese Canadians will meet on Wednesday, November 22nd, from 5.00 to 6.00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CO-OPERATIVE COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE CANADIANS HELD ON OCTOBER 20th, 1950.

PLACE: Carlton Street United Church, Toronto.

TIME: 5:15P.M.

PRESENT: Boos, Brewin, Finlay, Hidaka, Nichols, Obata, Takashima, Tanaka and Umezuki.

Mr. Brewin read a draft of a letter prepared to be sent to Prime Minister St. Laurent in answer to his letter of August. It was suggested that a press statement be prepared in connection with this correspondence.

MOTION: Nichols/Tanaka - "That this letter be sent to the Prime Minister and that this, along with other correspondence with him, will be prepared for the press." Carried.

A letter from the J.C.C.A. in regard to members of the Toronto Claimants Committee on this Committee was read.

MOTION: Nichols/Brewin - "That since the membership of persons from the Toronto Claimants Committee was accepted on the recommendation of the J.C.C.A. and since that recommendation has now been withdrawn, that this Committee invite these members to resign." Carried.

The statement that the members of the Toronto Claimants Committee had been asked to prepare at the previous meeting was read. This statement was discussed and proved to be unsatisfactory to the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:10 p.m.

CO-OPERATIVE COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE CANADIANS

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

TIME: September 21st, 1950; 4.30 p.m.

PLACE: Office of F. A. Brewin,

PRESENT: Boos, Brewin, Nichols, Tanaka.

REPORT: The Custodian's cheque for \$58,377.96, cover the disbursements submitted to Justice Bird and approved by him, was received and deposited in the Claims Fund Account on July 26th. Since that date, expenditures of \$33,495.62 have been authorized by the Committee, meeting in August. (\$11,281.43 of this amount represents the following disbursements: National J.C.C.A. (\$6,268.00), Virtue, Russell & Morgan (\$3,687.58), Vancouver Consultative Council (\$773.73) and Campbell, Brazier, Fisher, McMaster & Johnson (\$552.13); statements were submitted along with ours with the understanding that these amounts be turned over when recovered. Mr. McMaster's outstanding account of \$8,214.19 was also paid, and an additional advance on fees of \$10,000.00. Thus, approximately \$25,000. of a balance remains in the account.

SOLICITORS ACCOUNTS: Payment of up to 50% of such accounts (reviewed and declared fair and reasonable by Messrs. Mason, Foulds, Arnup, Walker and Weir) having been authorized at our June meeting, accounts were reviewed and the following motion made: (Nichols/Boos "That, in order to bring them into line proportionately with the other lawyers, the following payments be now made on account:

Cameron, Weldon, Brewin & McCallum - \$2,000.00 Cherniack & Cherniack - \$1,000.00 Carried.

RELEASES & STATEMENTS - George Tanaka reported that the work of mailing release forms is well under way. The Secretary has received 59 completed sets of forms to date, and forwarded same via air mail to the Custodian's office in Vancouver. Two releases without aurthorizations have been received - agreed that duplicates be made out and forwarded, with the advice that their release forms will be held until signed authorizations are received.

ACCOUNT PAYABLE: Agreed that a \$200.00 account from George Tamaki for legal services rendered to this Committee in 1947 be now paid.

P.O. BOX: The Secretary was authorized to rent a box at the post office for the period during which the volume of incoming mail is great — if such is available.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:45 p.m.

Chaplean Ont. Oct. 19, 1950. Mr. F.a. Brewin, K.C. To Cameron, Weldon, Brewin & Me Callum, 372 Bay St., Toronto, Ont. Dear Sir, Re. Case no. 1306 Will you please let me know the amount of money I recieved on my properties seperately, of garage & gasoline Station, engine. 72 Chryslar car engine, fishing nets. house by the Great West Cannery, From the \$1,535.94, which the cheque I received of 1,448.02, after paying the Co-Operative Committee of 87.92. Yours truly Hayao Hirote

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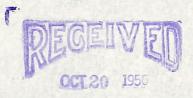
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October 18th, 1950.

CAMERON, MELDOY BREW 18 & WCCALLIM.

Miss Margaret Boos, Co-operative Committee on Japanese Canadians, Apt. 28, 94 Homewood Ave., Toronto, Ont.

Dear Miss Boos:

Case 1089 - Togo Cleaners Re:

Please find special release form herein and authority to pay fees. Both of these documents are to be executed by Mr. and Mrs. Takahashi.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER McMASTER & JOHNSON,

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cc. Mr. Brewin

Per: R. J. Mc Master A. M. C.



CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN 57495 Papineau Avenue,
Montreal 35, P.Q.,
October 16, 1950.

The Co-operative Committee, 94 Homewood Ave., Apt. 28, Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Ikutaro Konishi (Case #1338)

As suggested in your circular, I wrote to Mr. Ouimet on October 4, 1950 regarding a difference in the award amount. As I have as yet received no reply, I am writing to you, because I believe Mr. Brewin's office will give more prompt attention to this matter.

Mr. Konishi finds that his calculations show that his award is only 47% of the selling price of his farm to the Veterans Land Act Administration, whereas the proposed settlement suggested in the Co-operative Committee circular of April 16, 1949 was 80% of the actual sale price.

Please send me at your earliest convenience an explanation of this difference so that I may be able to explain it to him.

Yours truly,

Kimiaki Nakashima.

Oct. 20/50 136 Bruden St., At. William, ont. mr. A.a. Brewin, K.C. REGELVEN 372 Bay St. Paronts, ont. OCT 23 1950 CHARLETON, WELDON, BREWIN & McGALLUM. blear Sir, -I would like to enquire, concerning the property lose claim. Tateishis estate. I have written to Mr. S.M. Cherniah of Winnipeg, and he has written to me stating of have a flew dollars of claim coming to me. at the same time through mr. J. nichikawa have written to The Co-aperations Committee of Foronts and to date have failed to receive any answer. Alease let me know at your earliest convenience, the reason for the delay in receiving my loss claim form. Yours truly A. Takeishi

C8 at 1950] Dear Andy If at all possible I would appreciate it, if about 2000. - af my fees are paid in 1951. The work was spread over a 2 year period and I see no reason why the income tax should not be similarly spread. Kegards Saul

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J. A. CHERNIACK, B.A., LL.B. S. M. CHERNIACK, LL.B.

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204 = A & L Building 460 Main Street Winnipeg, Canada

October 18th, 1950.

Mr. F.A. Brewin, K.C. Barrister, etc., Sterling Tower. TORONTO, Ontario.

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CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McGALLUM.

Dear Sir:

re: Japanese Claims Commission

We have now prepared and enclose herewith in duplicate a Statement of our account from June 2nd, 1949 (date of the last statement) to date. You will note thereon that there are 70 attendances for the completion of the Release forms and the Affidavits of Execution.

We would like you to add to the statement the fees for same on the same tariff which you are charging for this work.

You will note that we have not made any charge for preparing and revising the statement which we forwarded on June 2nd, 1949 and for the statement enclosed herewith. As you well know there was considerable work entailed in preparing same and we feel that the proper fee should be at least \$50.00.

If you are making a charge for preparing and revising your statement, I would request you to add this amount to the enclosed statement.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Sincerely, Sans Chennisch

M. c/o Messrs. Cameron, Weldon & Brewin, Sterling Tower, Toronto.

460 Main Street

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July 8th	- Letter to Brewin enclosing statement -	3.00
12th	- Letter from Brewin, perusing -	1.00
	Letter from McMaster re Hamade Case 860, perusing -	1.00
	Perusing file and letter to McMaster -	5.00
13th	- Letter from McMaster re Tsuchiya Case 856, perusing -	1.00
	Perusing file and letter to McMaster -	3.00
14th	- Letter from Custodian re Saito Case 870, perusing -	1.00
	Letter in reply -	1.00
30th	- Letter from McMaster, perusing -	2.00
August 5th	- Letter in reply -	2.00
22nd	- Letter from Custodian re River Fish Account, perusing -	2.00
23rd	- Letter to McMaster in this connection and copy to A. F. Brewin -	3.00
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	Two telephone calls to attempt to ascertain Tsuchiyas present whereabouts and letter to McMaster advising -	2.00
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21st -	-	Letter from McMaster re Hirose Case 945, perusing -	1.00
22nd -		Attending on Mrs. Itsuji Hamade when advised that husband (Case No. 860) has moved to Steveston, and letter to R. J. McMaster advising -	1.00
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		Telephone call to Hirose in connection with same -	1.00
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4th	_	Interview with Taniguchi Case 941 re claim against Miyake -	2.00
		Letter to Custodian in connection with same -	1.00
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	Perusing file and letter to McMaster -	5.00
13th	- Letter from McMaster re Tsuchiya Case 856, perusing -	1.00
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October 20, 1950. Mr. Kimiaki Nakashima, 7495 Papineu Avenue, Montreal 35, P.Q. Re: Ikutaro Konishi (Case #1338) Dear Mr. Nakashima: I have your letter of October 16th in regard to this case. The files are in Vancouver, and I have written to Mr. McMaster asking him to report on this case. However, I may say for your information, that the proposed settlement at 80% was the general overall figure and notan individual figure applicable to all cases. The individual awards were based upon reports made by valuators employed by the Co-operative Committee and the Government. In Brum Yours very truly, FAB: HC

October 20, 1950. Mr. R. J. McMaster, c/o Messrs. Campbell, Brazier, Fisher, McMaster & Johnson, Barristers, 675 West Hastings Street. Vancouver, B.C. Re: Ikutaro Konishi (Case #1338) Dear Bob: I have received an inquiry from the above-named claimant who lives in Montreal. He states, "his award is only 47% of the selling price of his farm to the Veterans Land Act Administration, whereas the proposed settlement suggested in the Co-operative Committee circular of April 16, 1946 was 80% of the actual sale price." I have written explaining that the figure of 80% was not a firm amount applicable to every case, but an overall figure, and that the individual figures were based on valuations made by our valuators. Perhaps you could review the file in this case and let us know how the figure was arrived at. Yours sincerely, xu B FAB: HC

October 24, 1950. Mr. Hayao Hirote, Chapleau, Ontario. Re: Case No. 1306 Dear Sir: We have your letter of inquiry as to how the award to you in this case is made up. The only details we have here are the schedule of recommendations which indicate a total for real property of \$1200.00, for nets and gear of \$251.00 and for chattels of \$84.94, making a total of \$1535.94. If you wish for further details, it will be necessary to have the file investigated by Mr. R. J. McMaster, c/o Messrs. Campbell, Brazier, Fisher & McMaster, 675 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. as the individual files are in Vancouver. Mr. McMaster will probably make a small charge for any further investigation required. Yours very truly, CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM per: jun FAB:HC

October 25, 1950.

Mr. H. Tateishi, 136 Pruden Street, Fort William, Ontario.

Re: Case No. 986

Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter of October 20th, 1950, an award was made in this claim of \$282.85. However, we have not yet received the release form from the Custodian. No doubt the reason for this is that they were preparing special forms in the case of Administrators or Executors of the Estate.

It might be helpful if you would let me know the details as to your appointment as Executor of the Estate, and if you have it available, a copy of the Letters Probate of his Will.

In the meantime I am writing to the Custodian.

Yours very truly,

FAB:HC

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October 25, 1950.

Custodian of Enemy Property, 506 Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, B.C.

Re: Case No 986

Dear Sir:

We have had a letter from Mr. H.
Tateishi of 136 Pruden Street, Fort William, Ont.
who states that he is the sole executor of the late
Tomehiko Tateishi's estate.

We note than an award of \$282.85 was made in this case.

Mr. Tateishi has written and asked us as to the delay in receiving the release form, and we have told him that we have not yet received a release from your office.

In the meantime we have written to Mr. Tateishi to see if he has a copy of the Letters Probate appointing him Executor of the estate.

Yours very truly,

CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM

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OUR FILE NO.

October 18th, 1950.

Miss Margaret Boos, Co-operative Committee on Japanese Canadians, Apt. 28, 94 Homewood Ave., Toronto, Ont.



Dear Miss Boos:

Case 1089 - Togo Cleaners Re: Ltd.

Please find special release form herein and authority to pay fees. Both of these documents are to be executed by Mr. and Mrs. Takahashi.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER McMASTER & JOHNSON,

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cc. Mr. Brewin

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October 21, 1950.

GAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM,

Miss Margaret Boos, Co-op. Committee on Hapanese Canadians, 94 Homewood Ave. Apt. 28, Toronto, Ont.

Dear Miss Boos: -

Japanese Claims Commission Re:

We enclose herewith the following special release forms:

Case 317:

The release and authorization are to be signed by Mrs. Sakai. Her attention should be drawn to the recital that there are no other assets and no debts.

Case 437:

The documents herein require to be signed by Kanichiro Yoshida only. His signature must be witnessed and affidavit attached sworn.

Case 523:

The documents in this case are to be sent to J. M. Streight, Official Administrator, Westminster Trust Building, New Westminster, B. C. for his signature.

Case 151:

The documents to be sent to claimant who is Executor.

With respect to case 126, Kikuo Suda formerly of P. O, Box 405 Kamloops and presently residing at 1525 - 5th Ave. New Westminster, B. C., he advises that he has not yet received his release form. We cannot find any reason why not here. Would you be good enough to check this one?

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL, BRAZIER, FISHER, McMASTER & JOHNSON

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OUR FILE NO.

October 24, 1950.

Andrew Brewin, Esq., K.C., Barrister, etc., Sterling Tower, Toronto 1, Ontario.



Dear Andy:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission, Case 1253 Keishiro Shimano.

We have for acknowledgment receipt of your letter of the 17th inst.,

A review of the file indicates that this claimant made no claim with respect to the vessel referred to in your letter. We therefore consulted with the Custodian's Office and examined their master files and references with regard to the vessel in question.

We find that the vessel described was owned by the claimant's father, Kyutaro Shimano and was sold by the Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee.

Inasmuch as the father made no claim we do not think there is any possibility of having this matter reviewed. As a matter of fact in our discussion with Mr. Shears we think we would have some considerable difficulty in persuading him to review the matter even if the vessel had been owned by the son but I think there might have been some possibility of doing so in that event. We might say the son owned a fessel of his own but this was sold by himself or by his brother at Campbell River on or about the time of evacuation.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER McMASTER & JOHNSON,

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Per: R. J. M. Master

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OUR FILE NO.

October 24, 1950.

Mr. Kimiaki Nakashima, 7495 Papineau Avenue, Montreal 35, P.Q.,

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims and Case 1338.

We have for acknowledgment receipt of your letter of the 18th instant and have to advise in the same mail we received a letter from Mr. Brewin, the general counsel for the Committee concerning the same matter. We will send him a copy of this letter.

Mr. Konishi's property was situate in the Municipality of Richmond. Our investigations for the purpose of presenting evidence to the Commission indicated quite clearly that the Soldier Settlement Board came much closer to estimating the proper fair market value in 1942 in their appraisals of property situate in the Municipality of Richmond than they did in certain of the other municipalities. My recollection is that our investigation of private sales in Richmond in 1943 indicated that market sales were on the average about 75% higher than Soldier Settlement Board appraisals. On the other hand in the Municipality of Maple Ridge where a buying boom had started before it began in Richmond and some of the other farming communities. on the average the sales by private individuals were in the neighbourhood of 136% higher than Soldier Settlement Board assessments.

You will therefore readily appreciate that inasmuch as the increase which the Commissioner was prepared to recommend was not as high as we alleged fair market value to be Japanese property holders in both of these areas got less than these average increases. Dealing with the average property in each of these municipalities, generally speaking the average recoveries of Japanese

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property holders in Richmond was considerably less than the average recovery of Japanese property holders in Maple Ridge for example. Furthermore, we had each property appraised by our own appraisers and filed the results of these appraisals with the Commissioner. We do not know whether he followed the relationship established by those appraisals exactly in arriving at his recommendation but you will appreciate that there would be a variation as between properties in their proportionate recovery so that while the average increase for the Municipality of Richmond might be say, 60%, some properties might be as low as 40% and some as high as 80% or 90% increase.

I think if you understand the explanation which I have given above, you may be able to appreciate that the reason why Mr. Konishi's recovery is as you indicate, approximately 47% of the selling price.

We believe that in the information forwarded by the Committee previously it was made clear that the 80% referred to was an over-all average on all properties and was not according to the municipality in which the property was situate and in accordance with the relative value of other properties in the same municipality.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER McMASTER & JOHNSON,

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OUR FILE No.

October 24, 1950.

Andrew Brewin, Esq., K.C., Barrister, etc., Sterling Tower, Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Andy:

Re: <u>Ikutaro Konishi</u>, Case 1338

In the same mail with your letter we received a letter from Mr. Kimiaki Nakashima concerning the same matter. He apparently had already had a communication from Mr. Cuimet and found little comfort in the answer which Cuimet was able to give him. He therefore had written directly to us and we thought it good policy to reply directly to him. We enclose herewith a copy of our reply.

Yours truly,

CAMPBELL BRAZIER FISHER McMASTER & JOHNSON,

Per

McM: McC encl.

October 26, 1950. Mr. George Ohama, Brooks, Alberta. Re: Japanese Property Claims Re: Case No. 521 Dear Mr. Ohama: We understand that you are the Executor of the estate of the late Yaichi Inokuchi. The Custodian has prepared release forms to be completed by you which we now enclose. Will you please sign the authority on the first page and also sign the release on the second page opposite the seal, completing the date, and then have a witness to your signature sign and have the witness complete the affidavit before a lawyer or other Justice of the Peace, or Notary Public. If you would then send on these two documents completed to the Custodian of Enemy Property, 506 Royal Bank Building, Van-couver, B.C. the payment to you should be forthcoming shortly. Yours very truly, CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM per: FAB: HC Encl.

October 26, 1950.

Mr. R. J. McMaster, c/o Messrs.Campbell, Brazier, Fisher McMaster, & Johnson, Barristers, 675 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Bob:

I have received from Miss Boos a number of letters relating to special release forms, and we are making an effort to have these sent out at an early date.

Apparently considerable progress is being made in getting these release forms completed and I am making myself available this evening for those Toronto group who can not easily come in the afternoon.

We seem to be developing healthy correspondence in regard to details of some of these matters.

I wondered if you would mind referring to my letter of September 28th to which I do not seem to have had any reply.

Has the Cust odian received, in any cases where we were retained, authorities without releases or releases without authorities, and what is his policy going to be where he receives a release but no authority? Has he given some undertaking to protect us in these cases?

It may turn out that there are a group of cases in which the claimants may refuse to sign any release. Has the Custodian any idea of setting up a time limit in these cases? If we file retainers and the statement of P. S. Ross & Sons, will he pay what is due to the Co-operative Committee?

It seems clear that within two or three weeks, by which time a great many of the releases should have come in in the normal course, it will be timely for us to review those cases in which releases have not been sent in, so as to find out what the true situation is.

-2-October 26, 1950. Mr. R. J. McMaster As you may have noticed from the New Canadian, the J.C.C.A. and the Co-operative Committee have finally got fed up with the Toronto claimants group, and requested them to resign from the Committee. I do not know how many the Tor-onto claimants directly influence. I doubt if there are very I should like your advice as to what you think would be a reasonable fee for attendances on solicitors for completion of the release forms and affidavits of execution. I have had inquiries from Mr. Cherniack who has had seventy attendances. In my experience in many cases, no particular questions were asked, and the matter is a very simple one. My own theory is that \$2.00 or \$3.00 on each case would be sufficient unless them. sufficient unless there were special complications. Mr. Cherniack also asks whether any fees should be added for preparing the lengthy statements of account. I would be glad to have your view on this. Yours sincerely,

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October 26, 1950.

National J. C. C. A., 61 College Street, Toronto, Ontario.

Re: Case No. 437
Re: Claims Commission

Dear Sirs:

I am enclosing herewith documents to be signed by Mr. Kamekichi Yoshida. His signature should be witnessed and the attached affidavit sworn.

Re: Case No. 523
Re: Sueo Kado

I am enclosing herewith the documents in this case which should be sent to Mr. J. M. Streight, Official Administrator, Westminster Trust Building, New Westminster, B.C. for his signature.

I presume that there is no need in this case to send the instructions in Japanese.

Would you please send this document on to him "for his signature", and the other documents that he requires relating to this case.

Re: Case No. 151
Re: Tsunegusu Tsujimoto

The special release form which is enclosed, together with the authority, should be sent on to the Executor, who is the claimant, namely, Sadanosuke Furukawa.

Re: Case No. 216
Naka Nishimura and Estate of Jujiro
Nishimura

We enclose special release form prepared by the Custodian. Will you please send this on to Mrs. Nishimura with instructions to have the same signed by herself and also by Mr. Saburo Nishimura preferably in the presence of one witness who will then complete the affidavit of the witness.

They should also both sign the enclosed authority.

A question arises as to whether the \$46.00 payable to the Co-operative Committee should be paid out of the sum of \$100.25 payable to the mother Mrs. Naka Nishimura, or out of the \$306.85 payable to the Administrator of the Estate, Saburo Nishimura.

Mr. McMaster suggests that the mother probably paid the initial payment and that probably the balance due should be paid out of the sum due to the Administrator. If this is the intention of the parties a clase should be added to the authority saying "out of the share of the award payable to the Administrator of the Estate of Jujiro Nishimura". This clause could be added after the words \$46.00 only.

Yours very truly,

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FAB:HC Encl.

October 26, 1950.

National J.C.C.A., 61 College Street, Toronto, Ontario.

Re: Case No. 16

Dear Sirs:

We are enclosing documents to be completed by Mrs. Sue Nabata.

Will you please forward these forms together with any other necessary documents to Messrs. Cornwall, Kennedy & Colthurst of Kamloops, B.C. with a letter to Mrs. Nabata informing her that they have been forwarded to the above-named solicitors. No doubt the solicitors could then send the completed forms on direct to the Custodian.

Yours very truly,

CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM

per:

FAB: HC Encl.

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October 26, 1950. Mrs. Fuji Sakai, Greenwood, B. C. Re: Case No. 317 Re: Japanese Property Claims Dear Mrs. Sakai: We are enclosing herewith release forms and authority prepared by the Custodian, and to be signed by yourself in order to obtain payment of the monies awarded to you by the Commission herein. It will be necessary for you to have your signature on the release witnessed and then have the witness complete the affidavit attached. We would suggest that you should see a lawyer for this purpose. The documents should then be sent to the Custodian of Enemy Property, 506 Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, B.C., and payment of the amount due to you should be made shortly. If you do not hear from him, please advise us. Yours very truly, CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM per: FAB: HC Encl.

October 27, 1950.

Messrs. Cherniack and Cherniack. 204 A. & L. Building. 460 Main Street, Winnipeg. Manitoba.

Attention Mr. S. M. Cherniack.

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Dear Saul:

Thank you for your letter of October 18th.

I am consulting others involved as to what they think would be a proper fee for attendances on completion of release forms and affidavits of execution.

I would be glad to have your own suggestion on this matter. I have found that in most cases the matter is fairly simple and I would personally think that a fee of say \$3.00 in each case would be adequate, but that a special fee should be allowed where a special explanation or inquiry is involved.

The releases are coming in very fast and within a week or two we should have a pretty fair picture of the situation and how many special cases there are in which there are difficulties in regard to the releases, and cases in which for some reason or other the claimants are not signing the releases

I note your request for payment of part of your fees in 1951 and will call this to the attention of the Committee. No doubt the payments can be arranged as you suggest.

With kindest personal regards.

Yours very truly,

FAB: HC

October 27, 1950.

Mr. T. Sakamoto, 22 Albermarle Avenue, Toronto, Ontario.

Case No. 1037
Japanese Property Claims

Dear Mr. Sakamoto:

I wrote to the Custodian in regard to the chattels left at 500-508 Cordova Street, in respect to which there is a balance on the Custodian's books of \$177.35.

They claim that these chattels belong to the following person:

File 11821 Seizen HIGA Chikayoshi YAMADA " 14151 Keizo SUGINOBU 11901 Yoichi TOKUDA 11018 Shoichi NISHIMURA " 3676 No file Yosaku HARIUCHI Kametaro AKIYAMA File 11147 Tadayoshi SAKAMOTO " 11110 15240 Michi ONOTERA

They suggest that if you can have a letter signed by all of these persons authorizing the payment of the specific amount out of the \$177.35 to each of them, or with authority to pay the sum to any one person, they would carry out the instructions in such a letter.

Yours very truly,

CAMERON, WELDON, BREWIN & McCALLUM

per:

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FAB: HC

October 30, 1950. National J. C. C. A., 61 College Street. Toronto, Ontario. Attention Mr. George Tanaka. Re: Claim No. 888 Dear Sirs: I am enclosing a letter which speaks for itself. You will note the required forms, presumably in English only, including the enclosed release and authority should be sent to W. A. Ackland of Port Alberni with a request to him to sign the same. Mr. McMaster suggests that we should explain to him how our fee is arrived at. It would seem to us that the original form of letter sufficiently explains this. I think if we have any information as to what members of the family survive the claimant Mr. Oye, we should inform them that we have sent the forms to be completed by Mr. Ackland, and that presumably payment will be made to him. Yours very truly, FAB:HC Kun Encl.

October 30, 1950.

National J. C. C. A., 61 College Street, Toronto, Ontario.

Attention Mr. George Tanaka.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Case 1089-Togo Cleaners Ltd.

Will you have the necessary statement prepared and sent on to Mr. Takahashi, together with instructions that it should be signed by both Mr. and Mrs. Takahashi.

Would you tell them that if they wish to call me when they receive it, I will be glad to drop over some evening and complete it for them.

Yours very truly,

FAB: HC Encl.

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106 Wellington, North, Hamilton, Ontario, October 31, 1950.

The Co-operative Committee, on Japanese Canadians, 94 Homewood Ave., Apt. 28, Toronto 5, Ontario.

Dear Sirs:

Although you may have given your utmost consideration towards my claim, I am not satisfied. The three most important items consist of General Electric Console Radio and two Kodak Cameras (Vigilent 620 F 4.5, Kodak 116-F6.8) both of which, the price I quoted was very fair and have been hoping that I may, perhaps, be able to replace one camera with the price I shall receive for both. Please remember, that, the above items were surrendered with the written order of the R.C.M.P. Those who wished to co-operate and those who wish-to prove worthy of being a Canadian, surrendered immediately at our own expense.

When I arrived at McMaster University, I immediately asked R.C.M.P. Headquarter for the above articles. This was the first time I learned the truth of what had happened to the articles I have entrusted Everything was turned over to the Custodian in their trust. The Custodians in turn wrote back and told me my Radio was sold for \$12.01; the Cameras - both stolen. What a disappointment that was, I have never forgotten.

This whole claim has proven ridiculous as far as I am concerned as may be seen:-

Expense on my part:-

Cartage for the articles
Fee to Commission
Loss in wages
Train fare

\$2.00

5.00 and over
15.00 and over
2.35

\$ 24.35 and over

Your offer:-

\$ 21.89

I certainly would like a re-consideration and like to receive a sum closer to the figures I have quoted. If, re-consideration is impossible, I will certainly appreciate having my entrusted articles replaced by you for \$21.89.

I know you will give this request another chance. Thanking you in advance,

Yours very truly,

Hajim Qualsosaki

AUTHORITY TO PAY FEES TO CO-OPERATIVE COMMITTEE ON JAPANESE CANADIANS.

Name: MATSUSAKI, Hajime	
Case No. 1274	
Registration No. 01562	
	Address.
	Date.

Custodian of Enemy Property, 506 Royal Bank Building, Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission.

I am indebted to the Co-Operative Committee on Japanese Canadians for services rendered through it in this matter in the sum of \$.79¢

I hereby authorize you to deduct the said amount from the sum payable to me with respect to my claim herein and to pay the amount so deducted to the said Co-Operative Committee on Japanese Canadians.

Yours truly,